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Classified by P. Pfeuffer, Coordinator. Reasons 1.4 b and d.

SERBIA DEMARCHES ALL UN MEMBER COUNTRIES? HEADS OF STATE

1. (SBU) The EUR Front Office reports the Serbian Ambassador to the United States delivered a letter addressed to President Bush, in which President Tadic exhorted UN members to respect the territorial integrity of Serbia, demanded the Secretary General's Special Representative annul the unilateral declaration of independence (UDI), and urged UNSC members to call for further negotiations on Kosovo. (Kosovo Monitoring Group/EUR-FO e-mail)

UNSC: RUSSIA FORMALIZES OPPOSITION; MORE MEMBERS

SUPPORTIVE

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¶2. (C) USUN reports Russia reiterated its position that the UDI violated Serbia's territorial integrity, international law, and UNSCR 1244. European members pushed back with strong statements. (Kosovo Monitoring Group/USUN e-mail)

¶3. (C) Costa Rica, Libya, and Burkina Faso took significantly more positive positions than in the February 14 session, while Panama withheld comment, according to USUN. China, Vietnam, and Indonesia called for more dialogue. South Africa commented dialogue has not led to a solution. (Kosovo Monitoring Group/USUN e-mail)

NO KOSOVO CONSENSUS FROM EU POLITICAL DIRECTORS BEFORE GAERC

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¶4. (C) USEU reports Spain and Cyprus refused to negotiate on a draft statement for ministerial consideration at the February 18 General Affairs and External Relations Council (GAERC) meeting. Contrary to expectations, Bulgaria, Romania, and Greece expressed no serious reservations. Spain will introduce a new text proposal at the GAERC. (Kosovo Monitoring Group/USEU e-mail)

BAN ANTICIPATES UNMIK IMPACT AFTER UDI

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¶5. (C) USUN reports UNSYG Ban made no mention of annulling the UDI and noted the EU was enhancing its role in Kosovo. He added developments on the ground

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might have an operational impact on UNMIK, which will continue operations. (Kosovo Monitoring Group/USUN e-mail)

¶6. (SBU) IO/UNP notes the February 18 UNSC open session is expected to begin at 1500 EST. (Kosovo Monitoring Group/IO/UNP e-mail)

PROTESTS SUBSIDE IN BELGRADE, CELEBRATIONS CONTINUE IN KOSOVO

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¶7. (SBU) Embassy Belgrade reports no further security disturbances. (Kosovo Monitoring Group/Embassy Belgrade e-mail)

¶8. (U) Minimize Considered.  
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